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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Health Policy (Young) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to Amendment (148648) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Delete lines 53 - 82  
5 and insert:

6           (h) It requires, at a minimum, a specified number of  
7 continuing medical education hours in the physician's area of  
8 specialty for recertification.

9           (i) It has a practice improvement program to encourage  
10 continued improvement within medical practice. The program must



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11 focus on recent scientific developments, improved patient  
12 safety, improved patient or population health outcomes, improved  
13 access to health care, improved patient experience, and  
14 increased value to the health care system. The program must  
15 require physician participation in practice improvement programs  
16 within the context of the health care team and system of  
17 practice.

18 (3) The Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic  
19 Medicine may adopt rules to implement this section. These rules  
20 may impose additional requirements on applicants for a  
21 recognizing agency certificate.

22 (4) A physician who holds a current board certification  
23 from a recognizing agency approved by the board pursuant to  
24 department rules may advertise himself or herself as a board-  
25 certified specialist.

26 Section 2. Section 458.3312, Florida Statutes, is amended  
27 to read:

28 458.3312 Specialties.—A physician licensed under this  
29 chapter may not hold himself or herself out as a board-certified  
30 specialist unless the physician has received formal recognition  
31 as a specialist from a specialty board of the American Board of  
32 Medical Specialties or other recognizing agency that has  
33 received a certificate issued ~~been approved~~ by the department in  
34 accordance with s. 456.0291 ~~board~~. However, a physician may  
35 indicate the services offered and may state that his or her  
36 practice is limited to one or more types of services when this  
37 accurately reflects the scope of practice of the physician. A  
38 physician may not hold himself or herself out as a board-  
39 certified specialist in dermatology unless the recognizing



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40 agency, whether authorized in statute or by rule, is triennially  
41 reviewed and reauthorized by the Board of Medicine.

42 Section 3. Section 459.0152, Florida Statutes, is amended  
43 to read:

44 459.0152 Specialties.—An osteopathic physician licensed  
45 under this chapter may not hold himself or herself out as a  
46 board-certified specialist unless he or she ~~the osteopathic~~  
47 ~~physician~~ has successfully completed the requirements for  
48 certification by the American Osteopathic Association or the  
49 Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education or ~~and~~ is

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51 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

52 And the title is amended as follows:

53 Delete line 106

54 and insert:

55 certificate process; providing that a physician who  
56 meets certain criteria may advertise himself or  
57 herself as a board-certified specialist; amending ss.  
58 458.3312 and